# Big Ridge

# **Sustainability Features**

#### **Biological/Ecological**

With over 3,800 protected acres, this park provides a variety of scenic spots that overlooks Norris Lake. This park offers approximately 35 miles of shoreline that provides for unique flora and fauna. Deer, turkey, small mammals, and songbirds provide nature lovers ample opportunities to enjoy this park.

This park also offers a 49 acre lake that offers swimming, fishing, and boating. The lake is restricted to electric motors only.

### **Energy Conservation**

The park has installed high efficiency lighting is in various areas across the park.

#### **Historical/Community Significance**

A historical map gives visitors a glimpse into the lives of families that lived on the property before TVA bought the property in the 1930's.

#### **Waste Reduction**

The park has a comprehensive recycling program that is well-used by the staff. Items collected include plastic bottles, metal cans, office paper, and glass.

# **Moving Forward**

#### **Energy Conservation**

Big Ridge has plans to continue replacing old lighting fixtures with more efficiency fixtures. Work is currently underway to upgrade the lighting on the cabin walkway.

# **Park Highlights**

- Located in Union County
- Visited by over 650,000 people in 2011
- Forty-nine acre lake
- Over 10 miles of trails ranging from easy to strenous

